

# Memorandum

DATE: 7/2/53

**SUBJECT:** [REDACTED]

Firm to employ and position involved:

1. The Board of Directors of the Company has approved the proposed acquisition of the Company by the Company.

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UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
BUREAU OF PERSONNEL INVESTIGATIONS  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20415

TO: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C. 20535

DATE: 5/11/76

FILE: INO:LAW:dj

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| NAME<br>O MAY, Ernest Richard   | DATE OF BIRTH<br>11/19/28 |
| POSITION, ORGANIZATION, AND LOCATION<br>Consultant<br>Division of Education Programs, NEH<br>National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities<br>Washington, D.C. |                           |

The disposition made of this case in which your Bureau conducted investigation is indicated below:

A. ☐ APPLICANT

☒ EMPLOYEE

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WC 8/28/63

B. FINAL ACTION:

☒ By Agency

☐ By CSC

☒ Favorable determination

☐ Removed or not appointed as a result of security determination under:

☐ E. O. 10450

☐ CSC procedures

☐ Removed or not appointed as a result of suitability determination.

☐ Resigned before determination was completed:

☐ After charges were preferred or after being advised that charges were to be preferred.

☐ Other

☐ Separated (other than by resignation) or dropped from consideration before determination was completed.

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C. AUTHORITY FOR INVESTIGATION

☐ E. O. 10450

☐ P. L. 920

☐ E. O. 9835

☐ E. O. 10422 or 10459

☐ P. L. 298

☒ Other

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Director, Bureau of Personnel Investigations

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD  
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (151-177) (RUC)  
SUBJ: ERNEST RICHARD MAY  
ALC (OSC)  
(BUDED: 8/22/63)

ReBulet to Dallas dated 7/23/63.

Personnel of the Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, advised IC [redacted] on July 25, 1963, that the United States Naval Reserve service records for MAY, Serial Number 392 175, should be on file at the Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C.

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| TITLE OF CASE<br><b>ERNEST RICHARD MAY</b> |                                   | REPORT MADE BY<br><b>SA GEORGE W. H. CARLSON</b> | TYPED BY<br><b>cbl</b>                      |
|  |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><br><b>AEC (CSC)</b>        |   |

REFERENCE

Bureau letter to Dallas dated 7/23/63.

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CC TO: *U.S.I.H....*

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BY: *J.B.L....B.C.*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA GEORGE W. H. CARLSON      Office: SAN ANTONIO  
Date: August 7, 1963

Field Office File No.: 151-14      Bureau File No.:

Title:  
ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character:  
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
(CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION)

## Synopsis:

Records, The University of Texas, Austin, Texas, reflect MAY born 11/19/28 at Fort Worth, Texas. Entered The University of Texas, Austin, 3/1/46 and attended through second semester 1946-47. Nothing unfavorable University of Texas. No credit or arrest record Austin.

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DETAILS:AT AUSTIN, TEXASEDUCATION

On July 24, 1963, [redacted] Registrar's Office, The University of Texas, made available a record on ERNEST RICHARD MAY, which revealed that he was born November 19, 1928, at Fort Worth, Texas. When he enrolled he listed his parent as ERNEST MAY, 1125 Washington, Fort Worth, Texas. Occupation of parent listed as lawyer. The record reveals that MAY entered The University of Texas College of Arts and Sciences on March 1, 1946. He attended The University of Texas College of Arts and Sciences the spring semester of 1945-46, and the first and second semesters of 1946-47. He received no degree and nothing unfavorable was noted in the record.

On July 24, 1963, [redacted] Office of the Dean of Student Life, The University of Texas, informed

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there is no disciplinary record in the files of the Student Life Office on ERNEST RICHARD MAY.

CREDIT AND ARREST

On July 29, 1963, [REDACTED], Retail Merchants Association, Capital National Bank Building, informed that there is no credit record in the files of the Retail Merchants Association identifiable with MAY.

On July 24, 1963, [REDACTED], Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Mrs. GLADYS BECK, Identification Division, Austin Police Department, informed that there is no record in their respective files identifiable with ERNEST RICHARD MAY or MAY's wife [REDACTED]  
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| REPORTING OFFICE<br><b>DALLAS</b>              | OFFICE OF ORIGIN<br><b>BUREAU</b> | DATE<br><b>8/8/63</b>  | INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD<br><b>8/1/63</b> |
| TITLE OF CASE<br><br><b>ERNEST RICHARD MAY</b> |                                   | REPORT MADE BY<br><div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div> | TYPED BY<br><b>WVM</b>                |
|  |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><br><b>AEC (CSC)</b>  |                                       |

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Dallas, 7/23/63.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

In case captioned "ERNEST MAY, aka. Ernest Albritton May, Departmental Applicant - UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, Dallas file 77-4570, Bureau file unknown, Dallas report of SA  dated 4/14/61 states in part:

The indices of the FBI at Dallas reflect ERNEST MAY, attorney, was reportedly a council member of the Fort Worth Open Forum during 1935 and 1936...  attorneys, were interviewed. Each stated he was familiar with the Fort Worth Open Forum which started in 1933 or 1934 under the direction of  Each stated the group interested in the Fort Worth Open Forum might be described or characterized as "free thinkers", but in his opinion, the Fort Worth Open Forum was not dominated or controlled in any way by Communists or members of the Communist Party.

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## Copy to:

Report of:

Date:

August 8, 1963

Office: DALLAS

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Field Office File #: 151-20

Bureau File #:

Title:

ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character:

ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION (CSC)

Synopsis:

Only record Fort Worth PD on applicant's father  
ERNEST MAY is a traffic citation; credit satisfactory.

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DETAILS: AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS

## CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

On August 1, 1963, the following individuals stated their respective files contain no record identifiable with the applicant's father ERNEST (NMI) MAY, ERNEST A. MAY, or ERNEST ALBRITTON MAY.

[redacted] Identification Bureau, Fort Worth  
Police Department

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[redacted] Identification Officer, Tarrant  
County Sheriff's Office

On August 1, 1963, [redacted] Records Bureau, Fort Worth Police Department, stated her files contain an accident report describing a minor collision of two automobiles, one of which was driven by applicant's father, ERNEST MAY, 3701 Tulsa Way, Fort Worth, Texas. The accident report was dated March 16, 1962. The report indicates MAY was issued a citation for "Following too Close and Negligent Collision".

On August 1, 1963, Operator 82, Merchants Retail Credit Association, stated her records reflect ERNEST A. MAY's name was placed in file September 12, 1921, and was last checked March 18, 1963, for Wholesale Building Supply, Fort Worth,



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Texas. She stated MAY is rated "satisfactory", and his accounts are paid promptly. The file indicates MAY has an estimated net worth of \$20,000. She stated the file contains nothing unfavorable.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/9/63

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (151-0) - RUC -

SUBJECT: ERNEST RICHARD MAY  
AEC (CSC)

ReBulet to Dallas 7/23/63.

Richmond indices negative re applicant, wife  
and reference, [REDACTED]

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[redacted] Other Boston Informants mentioned herein are  
[redacted] and [redacted] who were contacted on August 3,  
1963 by SA [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA LAWRENCE G. HEALEY  
Date: 8-20-63

Office: Boston, Mass.

Field Office File No.: BS 151-115

Bureau File No.:

Title: ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character: ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
(CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION)

Synopsis: Harvard University employment verified. Associates recommend. Reference recommends. Reference [redacted] not available. Neighborhood favorable. Results of credit and arrest record checks set out. Applicant unknown to Boston Informants familiar with some phases of Communist activities in Mass.

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DETAILS:

Credit and arrest records, Boston, Mass., were reviewed at the request of IC [redacted] and investigation at Harvard University was conducted by SA [redacted]. Investigation at Jaffrey Center, New Hampshire by SA [redacted]

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This case was referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Civil Service Commission under the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954.

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EMPLOYMENT

[redacted] Secretary, Corporation Office, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on August 7, 1963, from review of records, made available the following information:

ERNEST RICHARD MAY was born November 19, 1928. He was employed in the History Department as an Instructor from July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1956; Assistant Professor from July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1959; Associate Professor from July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1963, and as a full Professor from July 1, 1963 to date. He was acting Allston Burr Senior Tutor at the Kirkland House from February 1, 1960 to June 30, 1960, and as the Allston Burr Senior Tutor from July 1, 1961 to date.

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[redacted] stated the record contained only favorable information.

[redacted]  
[redacted] Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on August 13, 1963 stated he has known applicant as a colleague in the History Department since about 1954. He said he has a very high regard for him as a scholar and person. He described him as a man of remarkable character, who has in the past proven himself to be a capable federal servant. He stated that applicant is presently on leave from Harvard University and is in Europe. He advised applicant is married and has three small children. He said he has met applicant's wife, through applicant, and he has the same high regard for her.

He recommended both applicant and his wife as loyal citizens of the United States.

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[redacted] Professor of History, Harvard University, on August 9, 1963, stated he has known applicant for about 10 years. He said he first met applicant when applicant was engaged as an Instructor in the History Department at Harvard University. He advised applicant and his wife have visited his home, and that they are a happily married couple. He said during the past three years as Chairman of the

Department he has gotten to know applicant very well, and that he is an extremely mature, intelligent and discreet person. He stated he has every confidence in his loyalty and character, and that he recommended him for a confidential assignment with the United States Government.

[redacted] Winthrop Professor of History, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on August 9, 1963 stated he has known applicant since about 1954, and that he has no doubts or hesitations about recommending him from a security or loyalty standpoint. He said he has met his wife and three young children. He stated he has also met applicant's father-in-law, JOHN CAUGHEY, who is a Professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, and that he has a high regard for him also. He said he never had any reason to question the loyalty of the applicant or any of his in-laws, and that he recommended applicant without qualification for any type of assignment with the Government for which it feels he is qualified.

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[redacted] Secretary to the Master of the Kirkland House, Harvard University, on August 9, 1963 stated that she has known applicant for a number of years because of his association as a Tutor at the Kirkland House. She said that he is a marvelous person, and that she could recommend him with confidence for character and loyalty, as she knows he is extremely well liked.

[redacted] and [redacted] all advised that the association between applicant and [redacted] [redacted] was the normal professional and social relationship and they did not believe that applicant was influenced to any degree by [redacted]

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On 8/20/63, [redacted] Harvard College, advised that he has known the applicant as a Professor at Harvard for five or six years. He advised that to his knowledge, applicant is the youngest full professor of History that Harvard College has ever had. He stated he is a very able and capable man and a person of excellent character, loyalty, reputation and associates. He recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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On 8/20/53, [REDACTED]  
Kirkland House, Harvard College advised that applicant  
is his Chief of Staff at Kirkland House. He advised  
that he has known the applicant for ten years and  
that he is one of the ablest historians in the country  
today. He further advised that the applicant is  
greatly respected by the faculty at Harvard College  
and that he considered the applicant to be a person of  
excellent character, reputation, loyalty and associates  
and recommends him for a position of trust and confidence.

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REFERENCE

[redacted] Professor of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, on August 7, 1963 stated that he has known applicant professionally and socially since applicant came to Harvard University about 1954. He advised he has met applicant's wife through applicant, and that she is the daughter of a Professor of the University of California of Los Angeles. He advised that there is no question of the loyalty of the applicant, his wife or any member of her family as far as he is concerned. He stated he had no knowledge of the association between applicant and his father-in-law. He stated that he recommended applicant with confidence as far as loyalty, character, ability, discreetness and capability of handling confidential matters are concerned.

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On August 9, 1963, [redacted] History Department, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, advised that [redacted] Professor of History, is out of the country on vacation and would not return until sometime in September, 1963.

NEIGHBORHOOD

On August 13, 1963, [redacted] residence, [redacted] Lexington, Mass., advised that ERNEST MAY and his wife and three children continued to reside at #3 Campbell Rd., Lexington, Mass., where they have lived since approximately 1956. She commented favorably concerning applicant's character, reputation, loyalty and associates.

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CREDIT

On July 30, 1963, Personnel, Credit Bureau of Greater Boston, 11 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., which agency covers Lexington, Cambridge and Waltham, Mass., advised that ERNEST MAY had a satisfactory credit record and that these records reveal no information regarding [redacted]  
[redacted]

ARREST

On July 30, 1963, Personnel, Office of the Massachusetts Commissioner of Probation, Suffolk County Courthouse, Boston, Massachusetts, a central repository for all traffic and criminal conviction records in the Commonwealth of



Massachusetts advised that according to these records ERNEST R. MAY born November 19, 1928 at Ft. Worth, Texas, appeared before the Concord, Mass., District Court on December 12, 1962 charged with a traffic violation, namely Mechanical Defect and paid a \$10.00 fine.

This same source advised these records contain no information concerning [REDACTED]

On August 13, 1963, Chief of Police JOHN RYCROFT, Lexington, Massachusetts Police Department, advised these records contain no information concerning ERNEST RICHARD MAY or [REDACTED]

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On August 19, 1963, [REDACTED] Clerk, Record Bureau, Cambridge, Mass., Police Department, advised these records contain no information regarding ERNEST RICHARD MAY.

In August, 1963, Boston Informants who are familiar with some phases of Communist activity in Massachusetts advised they did not know ERNEST RICHARD MAY and they could furnish no information concerning him.

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| TITLE OF CASE<br><br><b>ERNEST RICHARD MAY</b> |                                   | REPORT MADE BY<br><div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div> | TYPED BY<br><b>cbe</b>                        |
|  |                                   | CHARACTER OF CASE<br><br><b>AEC (CSC)</b>  |   |

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Dallas, dated 7/23/63.

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Princeton Township  
Counsel Building  
Princeton, New Jersey

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CC TO: *U.S. I.A.*

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BY: *B. L.*

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To [REDACTED]  
On July 29, 1963.

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To [REDACTED]  
On July 27, 1963.

NEGATIVE INFORMANTS:

Source

Location

To SA JOSEPH O. SMITH  
On August 15, 1963.

To SA JOSEPH O. SMITH  
On August 15, 1963.

To SA [REDACTED]  
On August 20, 1963.

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## Copy to:

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: Los Angeles, California

Date: 8/21/63

Field Office File No.: 151-148

Bureau File No.:

Title: ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character: ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION - CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Synopsis: Education and employment verified. Neighbor of JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, advised that CAUGHEY is the father-in-law of RICHARD MAY, and that there is apparently a close association between MAY and CAUGHEY. No credit or arrest record located for MAY. JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY enjoyed favorable credit rating as of 1950.

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DETAILS:EDUCATION

Loyola University  
Los Angeles, California  
1944 to 1945

On August 20, 1963, [REDACTED] clerk, Registrar's Office of the above institution, advised that ERNEST MAY was in attendance at the above University from January, 1944, until June, 1944, in the college of Arts and Sciences. She stated that MAY only attended one semester and his transcripts were furnished to the University of Texas.

EMPLOYMENT

Los Angeles State College  
Los Angeles, California  
February, 1950 to June, 1950

On August 16, 1963, [REDACTED] Assistant to the Dean, Los Angeles State College, advised that in

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1957, that college had moved to 5151 College Drive, Los Angeles, California from North Vermont Street, Los Angeles, California. She stated that her records reflect that ERNEST RICHARD MAY was a lecturer in the History Department for the Spring semester of 1950. She further advised that the records indicate that the head of the department at that time was a [REDACTED]

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She stated that [REDACTED] resigned in 1955 and his present whereabouts is unknown to the University.

CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

The records of the following agencies were caused to be searched on the dates indicated by the individual indicated. No records identifiable with the applicant or his relatives were located.

Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office. IC [REDACTED] on July 26, 1963.

Santa Monica Credit Association. SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on August 15, 1963.

Santa Monica Police Department, Santa Monica, California. SA [REDACTED] on August 13, 1963.

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Retail Merchants Credit Association. IC  
[REDACTED] on July 29, 1963.

On July 29, 1963, the records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, Los Angeles, California, were caused to be searched in reference to JOHN WALTON CHUGHEY, 240 Chadbourne Avenue, Los Angeles, California. He enjoyed a satisfactory credit rating as of November 6, 1950.

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MISCELLANEOUS

It is noted that the applicant listed JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, 1897 Mango Way, Los Angeles, California, as being his father-in-law.

On August 20, 1963, physical observation of 1897 Mango Way, Los Angeles, revealed that address to belong to a house situated on top of a hill, surrounded by a wire fence and gate, with a private road leading up to it.

On August 20, 1963, [redacted] West Los Angeles, California, advised that he is the closest neighbor to JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY. He stated that he is well acquainted with CAUGHEY and has been since 1958. He advised that he and CAUGHEY formed a business partnership and purchased the top of the hill where CAUGHEY's house is presently situated. He stated that his business is that of a general contractor and CAUGHEY employed him to build his (CAUGHEY) home.

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[redacted] advised that CAUGHEY is a History Professor at the University of California at Los Angeles, (UCLA).

[redacted] advised that CAUGHEY has a daughter, [redacted] who is married to ERNEST MAY, whom he also knows. [redacted] stated that CAUGHEY and his daughter and son-in-law appear to be a very close-knit family. He advised that the son-in-law has lived on the East coast since his marriage, but has made frequent trips to the CAUGHEY home since 1959. [redacted] advised that on the date of the interview, CAUGHEY's son-in-law was, at that time, visiting in the CAUGHEY household.

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[redacted] stated that from his contact with CAUGHEY and MAY, it was his opinion that MAY looked to his father-in-law for guidance and certainly respected his father-in-law's opinions.

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[ ] stated that Professor CAUGHEY is very active in politics and espouses very liberal views. He stated that CAUGHEY has many large gatherings in his home. He stated that he has attended some of these gatherings, but has turned down the last several invitations, as there were many members of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Freedom Riders and others whom he considers "too liberal".

[ ] advised that the reason for turning down these invitations was that his political views differ considerably from those of CAUGHEY.

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On August 20, 1963, [ ] West Los Angeles, California advised that her husband is the Ex-Chancellor of the University of California at Los Angeles, and he is presently in the East and is unavailable for interview. She stated that she knows JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY as a Professor of History, at the University of California at Los Angeles, and has known [ ] and his family for a number of years. She stated that it is common knowledge that CAUGHEY refused to sign the Loyalty Oath as required by California law, and was discharged from the University in the early 50's.

She further advised that the law requiring the Loyalty Oath was repealed and Professor CAUGHEY was reinstated. She stated that she knows of Professor CAUGHEY's son-in-law, but stated that her association with the CAUGHEY's has been limited since her husband retired, three years ago from the University. She stated that she did not feel qualified to comment on the relationship between JOHN CAUGHEY and his son-in-law.

LA T-1 advised on January 25, 1951, that the name of JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, 240 Chadbourne Avenue, appeared on an envelope containing the official ballot for the Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, (See appendix) for the purpose of voting for the officers and executive board for the year of 1951.

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The UCLA "Daily Bruin", issue of September 3, 1950, page two, contained an article entitled "Regents Act to End Loyalty Oath". The article stated that among the non-signers of the Loyalty Oath, who must either sign or leave the University, was JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, Professor of History.

On November 7, 1960, LA T-2 advised that the name of Dr. JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, 240 Chadbourne Avenue appeared on an envelope containing copies of a petition to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

An article appeared in the "Daily People's World" captioned, "Women to Discuss Freedom Votes". The article stated that Dr. JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, History Professor, will be one of the speakers at the "Women for Legislative Action", (See appendix) Second Annual Conference, October 18, 1953. The "Daily People's World", now known as the "People's World", is a west coast communist paper.

On September 6, 1958, an article appeared in the "People's World" captioned, "Un-Americans Stir Public Ire". This article lists the names of numerous signers of the advertising which appeared in the "Times" and the "Mirror" newspapers, which proclaimed their opposition to the abuses of the Un-American Activities Committee of Congress. Appearing among those names was Professor JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY.

LA T-3 advised on May 13, 1959, that a meeting sponsored by the Powell-Schuman Defense Fund, (See appendix) would be held on May 17, 1959, and that Professor JOHN WALTON CAUGHEY, a board member of the American Civil Liberties Union, would discuss "What Happened to McCarthyism?".



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The files of LA T-4 and LA T-5, a municipal and county agency, respectively, which maintain information concerning the Communist Party and some related activities in the Los Angeles area, were checked on July 29, 1963, and July 27, 1963, respectively, and advised that their information is the same as above and therefore, it is not being set forth.

Confidential Informants, who are fairly familiar with some phases of the Communist Party and related activities in the Los Angeles area, had no information concerning the applicant.

APPENDIX

POWELL- [ ] DEFENSE FUND (PSDF), aka.,  
Powell- [ ] Defense Committee (PSDC)

[ ] San Francisco, California, advised on September 25, 1956, that JOHN WILLIAM POWELL in August, 1956, had informed him that the PSDF had recently been organized to collect money to defray the expenses for himself, [ ] and [ ] in connection with their forthcoming trial for violation of the Sedition Laws of the United States.

The records of the United States District Court, San Francisco, reflect that on April 25, 1956, the Federal Grand Jury, San Francisco, returned an indictment charging JOHN and [ ] of San Francisco and [ ] of New York, with violation of a sedition statute and/or conspiracy to violate the sedition statute. The indictment charged that the POWELL [ ] while associated with the "China Monthly Review", Shanghai, China, from 1950 to 1953, caused to be printed in this magazine false statements which, among other things, accused the United States of conducting germ warfare in Korea.

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On January 26, 1959, the defendants were brought to trial in United States District Court, Southern Division, Northern Judicial District of California, San Francisco, on the above charges. On January 30, 1959, a mistrial occurred in this case, following which the United States Attorney, San Francisco filed with the District Court a criminal complaint accusing all three defendants of treason in connection with their activities mentioned above. A Federal Grand Jury in San Francisco is [ ]

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[ ] No trial date has been set in connection with the sedition indictment outstanding against the defendants.

A source advised on May 7, 1959, that the 1959 officials of the Powell- [ ] Defense Fund, aka., Powell- [ ] Defense Committee, are [ ] and [ ]

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Another source advised on September 16, 1957, that [ ] had been dropped from the Communist Party (CP).

A third source advised on April 11, 1944, that [ ] was then a member of the Echo Park Branch, Midtown Section, Los Angeles County CP.

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF  
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS,  
SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS, aka.,  
Hollywood Arts, Sciences and  
Professions Council

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations" (revised December 1, 1961) page 225, stated this organization is cited as "one of the major Communist-dominated propaganda media on the Pacific Coast" (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1955, pages 392 and 393).

An informant advised on January 4, 1956, that the Los Angeles Chapter was dissolved on January 3, 1956.

The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions has been cited as a "Communist front" by the United States Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report number 1954, dated April 26, 1950.

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APPENDIX

WOMEN FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A source advised on May 1, 1963, that the Women for Legislative Action was formed in 1952, claiming to be an independent organization dedicated to non-partisan participation in legislative and civic activities. Its position in favoring or opposing legislation usually parallels the position of the Communist Party and related groups. It also supports legislation to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Membership in the Women for Legislative Action does not, of itself, connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

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APPENDIX

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REBULET TO DALLAS JULY 23, LAST.

INVESTIGATION COMPLETED. REPORT RETURNED TO STENOGRAPHIC  
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NEXT. NO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION RECOMMENDED.

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*Mr. Tolson*

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## Copy to:

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Office: Washington, D. C.

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Title:

ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character:

AEC(CSC)

## Synopsis:

Reference recommends. No record credit or police agencies except traffic violation for one ERNEST RICHARD MAY at Arlington, Virginia. Navy record set forth. No pertinent identifiable information CIA.

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.REFERENCE

On August 21, 1963 [ ] Historical Section, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Special Projects Branch, Arlington, Virginia, advised SA [ ] that he had known the applicant since 1953, as a personal friend. He also worked with the applicant when the applicant was on active military duty and assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He stated that he is acquainted with the applicant's parents and in-laws and considers them respectable people. He stated that he had maintained his friendship with the applicant and has visited him on vacation trips. He commented favorably concerning the applicant's character, associates, reputation, and loyalty and recommended him for a position of trust and confidence.

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b7CCREDIT AND POLICE AGENCIES

IC [ ] caused a search to be made of the files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, Washington, D. C., and was advised on July 26, 1963, that the files contained no record for the applicant or his wife, MARY.

document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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On July 26, 1963, IC [ ] and SE [ ] determined that no record was contained in the Metropolitan Police Department files concerning the applicant or his wife; at all times an indefinite number of unidentified records are out of file and not available for review.

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On July 26, 1963, IC [ ] searched the files of the United States Park Police and no record was found concerning the applicant or his wife.

On July 29, 1963, IC [ ] caused a search of the files of the Arlington County, Virginia, Police Department, and was advised that no record could be located for the applicant's wife, and the records reflected that one ERNEST RICHARD MAY, born November 19, 1928, had a traffic violation on June 11, 1954, for a stop sign violation for which he forfeited \$5.00 and costs.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

On August 2, 1963, IC [ ] reviewed the applicant's Navy officer service record which reflected his date of birth as November 19, 1928, at Fort Worth, Texas. Upon graduating from the United States Naval School, Newport, Rhode Island, he accepted a commission as an Ensign Serial Number 392175, United States Naval Reserve, September 20, 1951, and remained on active duty. On September 17, 1954, he was released from active duty as a Lieutenant (jg), United States Naval Reserve, and reverted to the Inactive Naval Reserve. As of January 1, 1963, he was a Lieutenant (jg), United States Naval Reserve, on inactive duty. His fitness reports were favorable and he was granted a final "Top Secret" clearance September 30, 1952. The file reflected his serial number as 4269026. The enlisted file could not be located.

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SA [ ], caused a search of the files of the Central Intelligence Agency, and was advised on August 3, 1963, that no pertinent identifiable information could be located for the applicant's wife, [ ]. He was advised on August 22, 1963, that no pertinent identifiable information could be located for the applicant.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Los Angeles, California

August 21, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 151-148

Title ERNEST RICHARD MAY

Character ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION -  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Reference Report of SA [REDACTED]  
8/21/63 Los Angeles

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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